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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Holgers EGGERS et al.
Serial No. : 09/247,418
Filed : February 10, 1999
For : MULTI-PLY HEAT SEALABLE LAYER AND HERMETICALLY
SEALABLE PACKAGING MATERIAL PRODUCED
THEREWITH
Art Unit : 1773
Examiner : Kevin Krueer

July 17, 2002

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel the previous version(s) of the following claims and replace them with the following rewritten versions. Marked-up copies showing the amendments since the previous versions are annexed as separate pages.

Claim 31 (amended).

A multi-ply laminate comprising a multi-ply heat-